Chairman
State Administration Council
Republic of the Union of Myanmar

His Excellency Donald J. Trump
President of the United States of America
Washington, D.C.

Date: 9 July 2025

Dear Mr. President,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of Your Excellency's letter dated 7 July 2025, and to express my sincere appreciation for your correspondence.

It is with great esteem that I wish to acknowledge Your Excellency's strong leadership in guiding your country toward national prosperity with the spirit of a true patriot, as well as your continued efforts to promote peace on the global stage.

I am expressing my sincere appreciation for this encouraging invitation to continue participating in the extraordinary Economy of the United States, the Number One Market in the World.

We are truly grateful for the reduction of the original tariff rates imposed on Myanmar's Commodities from 44% to 40%. Myanmar has enjoyed a long-standing history of friendly relations and firm trade commitments with the United States. We have continued to make efforts to strengthen further and deepen the bilateral trade relations between our two countries.

We deeply acknowledge Your Excellency's distinguished efforts to advance your country's interest in addressing the trade deficits resulting from the imbalance of trade between the United States and Myanmar.

To being with, in furtherance of maintaining a balanced and mutually beneficial trade between Myanmar and the United States, we would like to propose to reduce the current tariff rates to the range of 10%-20% for the exports of Myanmar to the United States and reciprocally apply the tariff rates of 0%-10% on the United States' exports to Myanmar. We stand ready to dispatch a high-level negotiation team and discuss with the relevant authorities if needed.

However, Myanmar remains one of the Least Developed Countries (LDCs) to this day. Additionally, over the past five years, we have faced a series of unprecedented challenges, ranging from the overall impact of the COVID-19 pandemic to natural disasters, including a powerful 7.7-magnitude Mandalay earthquake, Cyclone Mocha, and Typhoon Yagi. At the same time, the government

and the people are navigating significant challenges of domestic instability posed by drug trafficking, online fraud and scamming, and illicit arms smuggling.

Mr. President,

I would like to take this opportunity to share with Your Excellency the efforts made by our government and the people of Myanmar in response to the current situation in our country. Similar to the challenges you encountered during the 2020 election of the United States, we also experienced major electoral fraud and significant irregularities. Despite multiple attempts by some political parties and the Tatmadaw to address these concerns, the then-ruling party and the former Union Election Commission not only dismissed these requests but also failed to resolve the issues with the necessary transparency and accountability. Moreover, they suppressed the other political parties' grievances and calls for a review of the electoral results. With no recourse left to resolve the issues either through the then-ruling party or the former Union Election Commission, and amid growing confidence in the efforts of the political parties to demonstrate that the electoral outcome was compromised by the electoral malpractices, the Tatmadaw temporarily assumed the State's responsibilities under the Constitution. Subsequently, fabricated narratives circulated by certain news agencies then distorted the situation, shaping and leaving a negative image and perception of Myanmar's ongoing political developments within the international community.

Following the SAC's assumption of the State's responsibilities, a new Union Election Commission was reconstituted and proceeded to investigate the 2020 election under the relevant national laws. The investigation uncovered 11.3 million cases of voting fraud, accounting for 29.54% of the total votes nationwide. Based on the testimonies from individuals involved in the electoral malpractices, who had been subsequently found guilty, appropriate legal actions were taken. They acknowledged the courts' decisions and complied with resulting punishments. Having completed their sentences, they have now been released. In addition, the investigation into electoral fraudulence was also accepted as just and fair by legally registered political parties and the public.

I sincerely appreciate Your Excellency's efforts aimed at promoting global peace, in regulating broadcasting agencies and funds, which have sometimes exacerbated the existing conflicts. Assessments influenced by one-sided misinformation and distorted narratives ultimately led to the imposition of the

economic sanctions on Myanmar. I hereby respectfully request Your Excellency to reconsider easing and lifting the economic sanctions imposed on Myanmar, as they hinder the shared interests and prosperity of both our countries and the peoples.

Myanmar has consistently upheld the tradition of peaceful coexistence with other nations and remains committed to maintaining good relations with all countries. Similarly, Myanmar has no dispute with any other countries including the United States.

Mr. President,

Myanmar and the United States can enhance the existing bilateral trade relations by balancing tariffs and removing barriers, as Your Excellency proposed.

With best regards, I wish Your Excellency and the people of the United States good health, prosperity and every success in future endeavours.

Senior General Min Aung Hlaing
Chairman
State Administration Council
Republic of the Union of Myanmar

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

July 7, 2025

His Excellency
Min Aung Hlaing
Chairman of the State Administrative
Council and Commander and Chief of
the Republic of the Union of Myanmar
Nay Pyi Taw

Dear Mr. Chairman:

It is a Great Honor for me to send you this letter in that it demonstrates the strength and commitment of our Trading Relationship, and the fact that the United States of America has agreed to continue working with Myanmar, despite having a significant Trade Deficit with your great Country. Nevertheless, we have decided to move forward with you, but only with more balanced, and fair, TRADE. Therefore, we invite you to participate in the extraordinary Economy of the United States, the Number One Market in the World, by far. We have had years to discuss our Trading Relationship with Myanmar, and have concluded that we must move away from these longterm, and very persistent, Trade Deficits engendered by Myanmar's Tariff, and Non Tariff, Policies and Trade Barriers. Our relationship has been, unfortunately, far from Reciprocal. Starting on August 1, 2025, we will charge Myanmar a Tariff of only 40% on any and all Burmese products sent into the United States, separate from all Sectoral Tariffs. Goods transshipped to evade a higher Tariff will be subject to that higher Tariff. Please understand that the 40% number is far less than what is needed to eliminate the Trade Deficit disparity we have with your Country. As you are aware, there will be no Tariff if Myanmar, or companies within your Country, decide to build or manufacture product within the United States and, in fact, we will do everything possible to get approvals quickly, professionally, and routinely — In other words, in a matter of weeks.

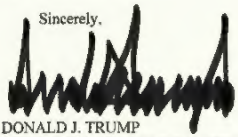
If for any reason you decide to raise your Tariffs, then, whatever the number you choose to raise them by, will be added onto the 40% that we charge. Please understand that these Tariffs are necessary to correct the many years of Myanmar's Tariff, and Non Tariff, Policies and Trade Barriers, causing these unsustainable Trade Deficits against the United States. This Deficit is a major threat to our Economy and, indeed, our National Security!

We look forward to working with you as your Trading Partner for many years to come. If you wish to open your heretofore closed Trading Markets to the United States, and eliminate your Tariff, and Non Tariff. Policies and Trade Barriers, we will, perhaps, consider an adjustment to this letter. These Tariffs may be modified, upward or downward, depending on our relationship with your Country. You will never be disappointed with The United States of America.

Thank you for your attention to this matter!

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely,



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PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA